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Attorney Docket No. A-68752/RFT/THR

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of  
  
Hamerman, et al.  
  
Serial No.: 09/222,460  
  
Filed: December 29, 1998  
  
For: COMPOSITION AND  
METHOD FOR IMPROVING  
FUNCTION OF EMBRYONIC  
KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS

Group No. 1654.

Examiner: A. Gupta

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### NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated June 30, 2003 of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1, 4, 5, 7-9, 17, 20, and 22-25.

The items listed below are enclosed with this filing:

Petition for three-month Extension of Period for Response;

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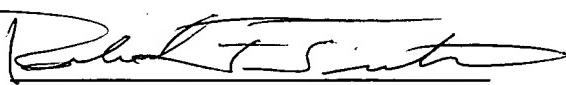
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This Notice of Appeal is further to our Response to the Final Office Action dated June 30, 2003. The Response was dated August 26, 2003. This paper is accompanied by a Petition for a three-month extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees or other relief, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. 467084-0038 (A-68752/RFT/THR)).

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